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MEETING FORMAT

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1. WE WISH TO PURSUE EARLIER PROPOSALS BY LUNS AND OTHERS
AND ENDORSED BY THE SECRETARY FOR RESTRUCTURING NATO MINIS-
TERIAL MEETINGS. PARTICULARLY, WE CONTINUE TO FAVOR ORGAN-
IZATION OF DISCUSSION BY AGENDA TOPICS, AND COULD ENVISAGE
THAT (A) NATO DECLARATION; (B) CSCE, AND (C) MBFR OFFER AT
LEAST THREE TOPICS WHICH MOST MINISTERS IN OTTAWA WILL
LIKELY WISH TO ADDRESS, AND WHICH CAN BE DEALT WITH DIS-
CREETLY UNDER INDIVIDUAL AGENDA ITEMS. OTHER TOPICS MIGHT
INCLUDE: (A) ITEMS DRAWN FROM REGIONAL EXPERTS REPORTS;

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AND ;B) "ANY OTHER BUSINESS," UNDER WHICH VARIOUS MINISTERS

COULD ADDRESS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST ON WHICH THEIR REPORTS WOULD PROVIDE A SPECIAL ANGLE.

2. A POSSIBLE AGENDA THUS COULD ENTAIL FOUR MAIN TOPICS DIVIDED INTO SUB-TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES:

1. EAST-WEST RELATIONS.

(A) CSCE

(B) MBFR

(C) BERLIN (QUADRIPARTITE MATTERS)

2. OTHER MATTERS OUTSIDE THE TREATY AREA AFFECTING THE ALLIANCE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY.

(A) MIDDLE EAST

(B) OTHER

3. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

4. COMMUNIQUE/DECLARATION.

4. WE WOULD WELCOME MISSION'S VIEWS AND COMMENTS, TOGETHER WITH ANY INDICATIONS YOU CAN PROVIDE OF CURRENT PLANNING BY LUNS FOR CARRYING OUT RESTRUCTURING PROPOSALS. ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUGGESTIONS ON BEST TACTICS FOR PURSUING THIS MATTER WITH LUNS AND PERMREPS. RUSH

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